

out about town

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OUT ABOUT TOWN is provided as a free community service by *Just Out*. Listings of events, announcements and groups that are specifically relevant to the gay and lesbian communities of Oregon are provided free of charge. Send your announcement with all pertinent information by the 15th of the month, and we will try to include it in the calendar. Send your submissions to: *Just Out* Calendar Editor, PO Box 15117, Portland, OR 97215.

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Just Out runs a full groups listing every other month. Odd months will contain only basic groups and HIV/AIDS listings. Even months will contain expanded groups listings. If there is a group you need to find, call 236-1252. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rights for Domestic Partners Coalition meet to discuss plans for the future. (7 pm, Thursday, Dec. 3, Grange Building, 1125 SE Madison St., 238-2489.)

Forest Group plans outdoor activities for women. **Potluck** (6:30) and **meeting** (7:30) (Friday, Dec. 4, 249-0138.) **Road bike ride**, 30-35 miles. (Sunday, Dec. 13, 452-9820.) **Intermediate cross-country ski trip**. (Saturday, Dec. 19, 288-2893.) Join the **Portland Volkemarchers** on a 10K hike to see the Willamette River Christmas flotilla. (Saturday, Dec. 19, 235-3765.)

It's My Pleasure carries sensuous supplies and books for women and offers these classes: **Medicine card readings** by Kelly Loggan. (5-7 pm, Thursday, Dec. 3, \$9.) **Safe sex lecture**. (9:30 am, Saturday, Dec. 5, free.) **Masturbation—a liberating discussion** led by Mike Richard (a lesbian). (7 pm, Wednesday, Dec. 9, free, reservations required.) (4526 SE Hawthorne Blvd., 236-0505.)

Phoenix Rising Counseling Center begins a new support group entitled **"After 9: Healing Through Conversation,"** facilitated by Jane Ferguson and tentatively running for eight weeks. This free group will be a time to vent, celebrate, defuse and express yourself openly about issues that came up during the long campaign. (10-11 am, Saturdays beginning Dec. 5, Suite 710, 620 SW 5th Ave., 223-8299.)

Portland Frontrunners meet 6:30 pm Tuesday evenings at Duniway Park track and 8:30 am Saturday mornings at various locations. Runners and walkers at



Lady Elaine Peacock performs at the Civic Dec. 13.

all levels are invited to join. (Call for Sunday locations, 281-6407.)

Women With Women With Infants and Toddlers holds a potluck brunch. (10 am-noon, Sunday, Dec. 13, Kim and Celia, 234-0038.)

Lesbian Community Project, providing outreach, networking and other services to the lesbian community, announces the following events. **Lunch and holiday shopping**. (Noon, Saturday, Dec. 5, Newman's Fish Market, 331-0515.) **Cross-country skiing** for beginners near Mount Hood. (Saturday, Dec. 12, 285-3126.) **Country dancing**. (7-9 pm, Monday, Dec. 14, Metropolitan Community Church, 1644 NE 24th Ave., \$3 members, \$4 public.) **Small events committee**. (6:30, Tuesday, Dec. 15, office, 223-0071) (Event line, 248-7985.)

SisterSpirit is women sharing spirituality. **Healing circle**. (7:30 pm, Thursday, Dec. 10.) **Celebration** (6 pm, Sunday, Dec. 13, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., 294-0645.) **Wiccan discussion group**. (7 pm, Wednesday, Dec. 16.) (Call for details, 294-0645.)

Lesbians Enjoying the Sciences is planning a potluck and holiday party on Friday, Dec. 11. (Call for details, Pat, 235-9553.)

Women in Academia Sunday Group meets for discussion and socializing. All lesbians in higher education, faculty, staff and independent scholars are invited. (5-7 pm, Sunday, Dec. 13, 238-5958.)

The Portland Area Business Association is for gays and lesbians in business and their friends. **Luncheon panel on gay travel** (11:30 am-1:30 pm, Monday, Dec. 14, \$12.50 members, \$17.50 non-members, reserve by Dec. 10, 232-4895.) (Meets 11:30 am-1:30 pm, second Mondays, Portland Marriott Hotel, 1401 SW Front Ave., 232-4895.)

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P/FLAG) provides love and support for all family members and friends of lesbians and gay men. **Potluck dinner and celebration** (6:30-10 pm, Wednesday, Dec. 16, Augustana Lutheran Church, Northeast 15th Avenue and Knott Street.) (P/FLAG, PO Box 8944, Portland, OR 97207, 233-5415.)

Join **Congregation Neveh Shalom** gay and lesbian outreach for a **Shabbat service** (Study group, 7:30 pm, service, 8:15 pm, Friday, Dec. 18, Zidell Chapel, Sheri, 246-8831.) **Hanukkah party** for Havdalah and the "Great Latke Bake-off." (7 pm, 232-1121.)

Poetry Open Mikes around town include Cafe Lena (9:30 pm-midnight, Tuesdays, 2239 SE Hawthorne Blvd., 238-7087.), Crossroads Coffeehouse (Women's poetry and music, 6-10 pm, Wednesdays, 830 NW Hoyt St., 223-8126.), Captain Beans East (8-10 pm, Thursdays, 1220 SE 12th Ave., 232-8338.), Common Grounds (tentatively Friday evenings, 4321 SE Hawthorne Blvd., 236-4835.), Jiffy Squid (8 pm, Fridays, 414 SE Grand Ave., 233-2330.)

Volunteers are needed in the Volunteers of America's **Adopt a Family** program, which helps the needy during the holidays, to staff the intake program and phone lines. Volunteers are asked to work a three-hour shift between 9 am to 6 pm weekdays. (Bernice Laurens, 235-8655.)

A new group is forming to discuss the possibilities of a **lesbian non-exchange economy** based on needs, wants and the art of gift-giving. (235-5624.)

OUTPAC, Oregonians United Together PAC, will hold a political training conference in Salem in early January, covering citizen lobbying how-tos, non-profits and political activities, the legislative system, a tour of the capitol and a survey of upcoming legislative issues. (For information write OUTPAC, PO Box 5263, Eugene, OR 97405.)

If you were active in a social fraternity or sorority in college, a new Greek alumni organization, **Gay Greeks**, is now forming to promote charitable activities and community service, as well as breaking down harmful stereotypes. Send name and address to be notified of first meeting. (Suite 710, 620 SW 5th Ave., Portland, OR 97204.)

The **United Way of the Columbia-Willamette** is looking for people from the local community to partici-

pate in its 1993-94 fund-distribution process. More than 150 local residents will fill eight committees and make a commitment of two to three months. (For more information, contact Claudia Wilton, 226-9346.)

The **Institute for Traditional Medicine** is sponsoring a 12-week treatment program for HIV-related diseases. Sixty dollars per month includes all Chinese herb formulas and weekly acupuncture treatments. Some financial aid is available. (Al Downs, 233-2101, days, or 795-6666, voice mail.)

Co-housing Community is looking for people who are interested in beginning an owner-occupied housing community with a common area. All ages, singles and families are welcome. (281-2145 or 695-2245, ext. 121.)

Trinity Episcopal Church invites all who are affected by or concerned about AIDS to attend a monthly celebration of **Evensong and Service of Healing**. The service is a brief 35 minutes, follows the Episcopal tradition and is followed by a free, simple evening meal and social time. (5 pm, second Sundays of each month, 147 NW 19th Ave., call Fr. Scott Dolph for details, 222-9811.)

The **Special Righteousness Committee** lobbies for inclusion of the entire set of 3,000-year-old ritual holiness laws from Leviticus in our state Constitution. Why single out homosexuality when shaving, wearing mixed fibers, oyster-eating and cursing your parents are also forbidden? A certain reverend's hypocritical life is exposed in its 24-page comic book, *Righteous X Goes to Hell*, available by mail. (PO Box 1851, Portland, OR 97207, send check or money order for one copy, 50 cents; two-six copies @ 30 cents; seven-24 copies @ 25 cents.)

Attention all bisexual, lesbian and gay youth-serving organizations: the United Church Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Concerns' **Youth Outreach Program** is seeking to network with other such groups and develop a national resource directory. (Please send a one-paragraph description of your organization, your address and phone to: UCCL/GC Youth Outreach, 18 N College St., Athens, OH 45701; inquiries call (508) 755-0005.)

Bound and Determined (BAD), a social and learning group for women intrigued with SM/leather is now forming. If silky restraints, dirty talk and horsehair, leather or candle wax entertain your endorphins, drop a line. We will introduce you to and teach you etiquette, technique, etc. while having lots of fun. All honest inquiries answered immediately. (Pauline Miriam, c/o NLA, PO Box 5161, Portland, OR 97208.)

Men basketball players who would like to organize an ongoing playing group for fun, contact 236-2821.

Out Loud Men's Reading Circle now forming to read aloud from literature, poetry, spirituality, politics, etc. in a home setting. (Unquire with phone to Bob, PO Box 2126, Portland, OR 97208.)

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